GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4592
ANSWERED ON:22.04.2003
SCHEMES FOR UNEMPLOYED CRAFTMEN
ALE NARENDRA

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes to solve the problem of unemployment of village craftmen engaged in the handicrafts;

(b) the funds provided under the schemes during each of the last three years, scheme-wise and State-wise;

(c) the number of persons benefited under the scheme, scheme-wise and State-wise; and

(d) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to solve the rural unemployment by encouraging handicraft in the rural areas?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI U. V. KRISHNAM RAJU)

(a) The Ministry does not have any specific scheme for self employment of village craftsmen engaged in handicrafts. However, the Ministry is implementing Swaranjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY) as a major Self Employment Programme for families living below the poverty line which also includes village craftsmen engaged in handicrafts in rural areas of the country.

(b)&(c) The State-wise central funds released under this scheme during each of the last three years and the number of craftsmen benefited under the scheme is annexed.

(d) The Guidelines of the scheme gives special emphasis for providing assistance to rural artisans on priority

Annexure

Annexure as referred to in parts (b) to (c) of reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 4592 to be answered on 22.4.2003

Central Releases and Craftsmen Assisted during 2000-2001 to 2002-2003 UNDER SGSY

Sl. No.	STATES /U.T.	Central Releases (Rs. in l			Craftsmen Assisted		
		2000-2001	2001-2002	2002-2003	2000-2001	2001-2002	2002-2003
1	Andhra Pradesh	5283.98	3068.31	3738.02	1604	918	638
2	Arunachal Pradesh	99.26	106.34	78.06	93	103	2
3	Assam	0.00	3328.48	2802.61	NR	921	422
4	Bihar	2978.76	3348.37	3493.34	438	537	2172
5	Chattisgarh	1138.08	1467.21	1968.76	NR	322	122
6	Goa	25.00	25.00	17.65	NR	NR	0
7	Gujarat	1216.65	885.51	1403.27	238	289	329
8	Haryana	1088.61	679.48	827.79	103	46	56
9	Himachal Pradesh	245.91	286.16	348.62	256	227	113
10	Jammu & Kashmir	195.23	342.81	350.44	567	765	NR
11	Jharkhand	808.88	1196.01	1801.02	NR	NR	418
12	Karnataka	1600.56	1659.33	2686.99	NR	NR	246
13	Kerala	919.53	1039.64	1266.55	918	340	180
14	Madhya Pradesh	3420.63	3425.29	4232.53	NR	664	137
15	Maharashtra	5770.72	3842.09	5579.85	390	347	103
16	Manipur	24.94	13.02	0.00	NR	NR	0
17	Meghalaya	23.89	83.38	27.51	NR	NR	0
18	Mizoram	62.56	64.17	86.08	0	18	1
19	Nagaland	174.94	69.98	83.15	NR	NR	66
20	Orissa	4353.99	2744.13	4181.99	NR	511	237
21	Punjab	454.49	325.37	391.58	77	51	328
22	Rajasthan	2594.50	1759.38	2143.41	305	260	234
23	Sikkim	136.83	82.38	95.33	0	0	0
24	Tamil Nadu	4626.30	2713.06	3290.35	4065	2152	1147
25	Tripura	860.44	622.08	599.65	109	99	13
26	Uttar Pradesh	7737.07	6316.37	7126.87	NR	NR	899
27	Uttaranchal	344.28	496.90	667.95	179	134	10
28	West Bengal	0.00	78.26	1121.19	653	291	1024

29	A&N Islands	0.00	12.50	0.00	1	0	12
30	D & N Haveli	0.00	0.00	0.00	NR	0	0
31	Daman & Diu	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	NR	NR
32	Lakshadweep	0.00	0.00	0.00	NR	NR	NR
33	Pondicherry	25.00	28.93	53.64	0	0	0
	TOTAL	46211.03	40109.94	50464.20	9996	8995	8909

NR - Not Reported